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Tēnā Koutou Katoa

Kia ora tatou

One of the highlights of the week for me was the opportunity to visit the Orokonui Ecosanctuary with a group of enthusiastic and adventurous Year 7 GATE students. The trip was an opportunity for them to learn more about our native species and what is being done to protect them. We also had a great opportunity to do a stream study into stream health and water quality while we were there. My thanks to Mel Christian (for organising the trip), Tahu from the ecosanctuary, who has an amazing way of captivating and engaging students, and of course the wonderful students were represented our college so well.



Today is of course Pink Shirt Day which we are combining with the wellbeing initiative from our Year 12 health students. It is great to see so many pink and yellow accessories being worn with the school uniform in recognition of the importance of looking after our wellbeing and the wellbeing of others. Obviously bullying has a negative effect on our wellbeing and as a school we are keen to promote the anti-bullying message in order to make our school a safer and more enjoyable place for the whole college community, staff and students alike.

I would to also like to acknowledge and thank our Student Council for the work they have done promoting Work Day which is next Thursday, 23 May 2019. The funds raised from Work Day allow the council, as a group, to invest into projects and resources which are student driven for the benefit of the student body. Another positive benefit of Work Day is that it provided a great opportunity for our Year 9-13 students to gain some valuable work experience. This sometimes leads to opportunities for a future part-time job or full time employment. As a teaching staff we have taken this opportunity to pursue a whole staff Teacher Only Day off site looking at important aspects of pastoral care for our students. As a result there will be no students at school on Thursday 23 May 2019.

Finally, we wish David Hunter safe travels as he returns this weekend from his week long leadership conference. We look forward to hearing about his trip and the new insights into leadership that he has gleaned during his time away.

Noho ora mai **Brenton Hackfath**DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Key Dates

21-22 May L3 Biology trip to Orokonui Ecosanctuary 22 May Otago/Southland Cross Country Relay

23 May Taieri College Work Day/Teacher Only Day –

college closed

24 May Learning Readiness Issued

3 June Queen's Birthday – College closed

22 June Taieri College Formal

25 June Form Class Photographs (date incorrect in last

weeks newsletter)







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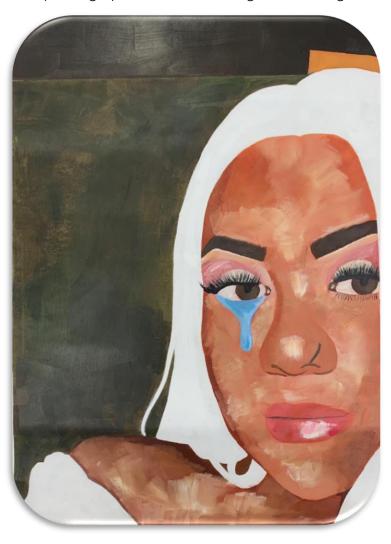
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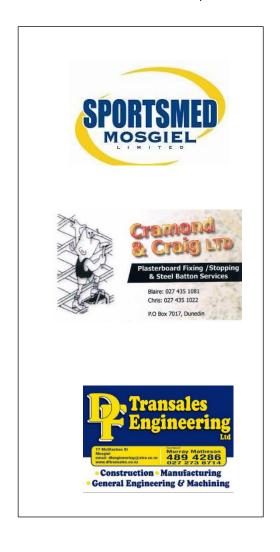
The new studio lights acquired for the Art room are being used with great success. Jade Fraser photographed some Mothers Day flowers that were brought in - and met the challenge of white on white beautifully, using the gel set. Thanks to the Principal, management and Board of Trustees for authorising the Capital Items Budget so that our students can experience success.

Sally Spittle <u>sspittle@taieri.school.nz</u> Art Department



This painting by Maliana Lesa is using both Painting and Design tools to create this wonderful portrait.





2019 Taieri College Formal - Dunedin Town Hall Saturday 22 June 2019 at 7.00pm - \$95 per ticket

The information and consent forms for this year's formal have been issued to the Year 12 and 13 students. Last day for payment is Friday 7 June 2019.

If you are paying tickets by internet banking please remember to bring your consent forms to Mrs Evans at the Student Support Office.

Taieri College - 03-1725-0106800-00

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We would like to thank the Taieri College Students Council for the grant we have received which has enabled us to keep the ticket price down. The ticket price is strictly set to cover costs of the event only; we do not set this to make a profit. The price of the ticket covers entertainment, access to photographer's website, hire of venue, dinner and transport to and from the venue. Any questions regarding this please telephone Monique Evans, Student Support Administrator 489 3823 ext 111.

Student Work Day Years 9-13/ Teacher Only Day Years 7-8 Thursday 23 May 2019

On Thursday 23 May 2019 all Year 9 –13 students will be involved in the Student Work Day, for the student council, and will therefore not be at school. Funds raised by the students during Work Day are collected by the student council and used for the benefit of the student body e.g. purchasing picnic tables, installing water fountains and helping fund sports and cultural trips for students.

Work Day has also provided an opportunity for the whole teaching staff to have a Teacher Only Day. As a result the school will not be open for instruction for our Year 7 and 8 students.

Therefore, on Thursday 23 May 2019 the school will be closed for instruction. It should also be noted that there will be no school buses running on Thursday 23 May 2019.

We appreciate your support as staff develop new skills for their teaching practice and Year 9 –13 students raise funds for their student council.

Photobook 2019

This is a Taieri College [and TTHS] tradition that has a photo of every form class for the year and all staff.

These can be purchased through the office for \$10 [Colour Version] \$5 [Black And White].

These are a great reminder of your child's years at Taieri College.







International Department

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

At the beginning of Term 3 (Sunday 21-24 July 2019), we will be hosting the southern leg of the 2019 Youth Leadership Summit at Taieri College. This summit brings together 60-65, 16-17 year olds from China and NZ secondary schools for an eight day programme held at St Andrew's College in Christchurch during the term holidays.

The final week of the programme will see students attend Taieri College for three days and we're needing homestay to billet them for three nights. This is a paid billeting scheme at \$45 per student, per night. Students will need to be in their own beds but rooms can be shared.

If you're interested in billeting, please fill out, sign and return the form to the Taieri College Office please.

I AM interested in billeting Number of students [1, 2, 3, 4]	
Name:	
Address:	
Contact Number: Signed:	
Yours faithfully	
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DIRECTOR OF INTERNATIONAL

Taieri College, 3 Green Street, Mosgiel. Telephone 021385161 or 03 – 4893823 extn 152



Trip to Orokanui Eco Sanctuary 13 May 2019

The Orokonui Eco Sanctuary trip was a blast. Mr Hackfath and Mr Baines took us. Tahu was our tour guide, we met her earlier this term. When we got there, we had a look around the gift shop before settling into our classroom for the day. In the classroom, we looked at the different types of animals that we would be seeing.

Before we knew it, we had our layers on and were walking down the track to the pond. On the way, we stopped and identified different types of plants. Tahu also smelt some bird poo and clarified the species that had left its message. At the pond we grabbed some nets and went fishing for bugs. Then Tahu set us a task to identify the creepy crawlies.

We came back to the classroom and had our well – deserved lunch. But that wasn't all! Next, we set off to the stream. On the way there we got glances of really cool birds; silver eyes, robins and kereru. When we arrived at the stream, we waded into the water wearing our gumboots. We picked rocks up and placed them in an ice – cream container full of water. Then we tickled the rocks and little bugs crawled off. We all were surprised by the amount of bugs. Identifying them and helped us work out the water quality and how healthy the stream was.

The day was almost done. We took a walk to the other side of the Eco Sanctuary. On the way we saw a friendly Fantail who followed us down the path. It was so cool when we saw the tallest tree in NZ! We reached the other side where a van was waiting to bring us back.

by Holly, Sarah and Hayley















CAREERS INFORMATION

Contact Sue Craigie, 03 489 3823 ext 139 or Email: careers@taieri.school.nz



University Of Otago Campus Tours

The University of Otago runs Campus Tours Monday – Friday between 9am and 3pm for prospective students and their families.



These tours are run by some of the current students (doing a wide variety of degrees). The tours include a general orientation of campus plus a visit to two residential colleges. They can tailor the tours depending on what the student's area of interest is and where possible they match the guides to the area of student interest. For instance, if a student was coming for a tour and they are interested in Health Sciences First Year - they will match them up with a guide who is currently doing that programme.

Booking a Campus Tour is a great option as you can go anytime that fits your schedule, gives you more time to look around and meet with staff on campus. https://www.otago.ac.nz/liaison/campus-tours/

University of Otago College of Education Information Evening

The College of Education is holding an information evening on Monday 27 May from 7.00pm – 9.00pm. This is being held at TG07, College of Education Tower Block, 155 Union Street East, Dunedin. For more information call (03) 479 4914.

University Of Otago Faculty Of Law

The Faculty of Law Is holding a Law Career Event on Friday 28 June from 1.00pm – 3.00pm. This will be held in the Moot Court at the University. It is designed to give an insight into what a career in Law could involve. It is open to any Year 12 and 13 students. If students are interested in attending, then they need to see Mrs Craigie.

Leaving School Magazine – Issue #15 – May 2019

The latest edition of Leaving School magazine can be found at www.oliverlee.co.nz/leavingschool-issue15

This magazine includes information for school leavers on courses, employment etc.



The Lincoln University Information Evening

Tuesday, 28 May, 5-8.30pm Burnside High School Aurora Centre

The Information Evening, presented in a seminar and expo format, will give students the chance to find out more about the study programmes.

They'll cover all areas of specialisation, including agriculture, horticulture, viticulture, agribusiness, food, environment, landscape architecture, property, the sciences, sport and recreation, and tourism.

Students will also discover the benefits of getting a university degree and pick up some tips on applying for scholarships and finding accommodation.

Students should register at http://web.lincoln.ac.nz/

Lincoln University is also holding an Open Day on 19 July 2019.

Careers Continued

Girls With Hi-Vis® – Register Today

Girls with Hi-Vis® is an Ultimit – Women in Infrastructure initiative that aims to raise awareness and encourage women to consider a career in the Infrastructure Industry.

During May and June, companies across New Zealand are opening their doors to showcase all the fantastic opportunities the Infrastructure Industry has on offer.

Attendees of Girls with Hi-Vis® events will have the opportunity to check out first-hand what it is like to work in the Civil, Energy, Telco and Water Infrastructure Industries, learn more about career opportunities available and experience fun hands-on activities. There will also be opportunities to hear from inspirational women working in the industry and why they love working in the epic world of Infrastructure!

Register at https://www.connexis.org.nz/careers/girls-high-vis/ to find out about an event near you.

University of Canterbury - Information Evening Otago

UC Info Evening Otago | Hui Tairanga Ōtākou is the chance for students and their whānau to find out everything they need to know about life and study at UC.

The evening will have information sessions specific to the programmes offered at UC. These will be led by some of UC's top academics and College Deans. They will also cover accommodation options and scholarships.

Event details

Date: Wednesday 22 May 2019

Time: 6:00pm - 8:00pm

Location: Otago Boys' High School, 2 Arthur Street, Dunedin 9016

Registration: All attendees should register via Eventbrite to secure a seat

Need more information? Email <u>liaison@canterbury.ac.nz</u> or phone 0800 VARSITY (0800 827 748).

PwC Scholarship

The PwC Scholarship is extended to students to can demonstrate they can problem solve and have the ability to think outside the box. This is open for not only Accounting students, but they are also keen to see those studying IT, Economics, Languages and Science to name a few. They look for alignment between choice of study and their business areas which include Assurance, Deals, Consulting, Tax – Corporate/Private Business and Legal.

They are looking for bright, talented, curious, hardworking problem solvers to join the Scholarship programme.

Applicants must be:

- A New Zealand citizen
- In their final year as a student at any secondary school in New Zealand
- Going to study in one of PwC's business areas eg Assurance, Deals, Consulting, Tax

The PwC Scholarship helps give young Kiwi talent the best start possible by providing financial support during university, a mentor and a paid Summer Internship.

Applications open 11 June 2019 and close 31 July 2019.

To find out more and apply, go to pwc.co.nz/scholarship or see Mrs Craigie for more information.

Vietnam Trip 2019

Ahhh, Vietnam. Where do I even start? It was an adventure that took us from being at 'paradise on earth' to being in the mountains of Sapa and almost being in China. In the April holidays, thirty one students and four teachers from Taieri College set off on an adventure of a lifetime. We flew from Dunedin to Auckland at 7pm on Wednesday 10 April 2019 then endured a 10-and-a-half-hour plane ride to Singapore, followed by a short three hour flight to Hanoi. We finally got to Vietnam after spending the last day curled up on several planes and eating the lovely 5-star aeroplane food. We then met our incredible tour guide, Thomas, who was going to spend his next fifteen days with us leaving his young family behind.

We all thought we were going to go for a light stroll in Hanoi's Old Quarter, but little did we know it was pretty much a sport trying to cross the roads. We then went to a huge buffet which most of us were shocked on some of the food options available. Paradise on earth was next (Ha Long Bay). We arrived here after a three hour bus ride and this place definitely lives up to its name. We stayed on a 'junk boat' which I didn't see the "junk" part about it. It was fancy with the best 5 course meals we've ever had. We went swimming at Titov Beach where we could walk to the top of the island and watch the beautiful sunset over the bay. I think it's safe to say that Ha Long Bay lives up to its name.

We went back to Hanoi for a night then an awesome six hour bus ride into the mountains of Sapa. After driving on the road with a cliff right next to us we arrived to what we thought was Sapa. We got dropped off on the street because the bus couldn't get to the hotel and we couldn't see ten metres in front of us because of the fog. We got to our rooms and found gas masks in our rooms... why? We do not know. We went on an amazing trek through the rice fields and were accompanied by locals. After the trek some of us were clean, others were drowned in mud. As we headed back to Hanoi Airport we made a wee pit stop to the border and saw China.

Hue came and so did the heat. We visited pagodas, tombs, and had a float down the Perfume River on a dragon boat. We also visited an orphanage and soon realised how good our life is and how much we take for granted. That night, in a complete contrast, we all dressed up like kings and queens and listened to traditional music played that would be played for royalty while we ate dinner.

Hoi An was next but we had to go over the Hai Van Pass which had amazing views the whole way. We visited Marble Mountain which had wicked views and heaps of caves and walks. Back to the Silk Marina Resort and Spa for the afternoon. All this and only halfway through the trip. We all then visited the My Lai village memorial where 504 people were massacred. All sadness aside and everyone was off to the beach to go swimming. Next day came and we all went on a bike ride in what felt like 50 degrees. We rode buffalo and had lunch then went back to the resort and had a long overdue date with the pool. We also had a lot of spare time to walk around the night markets and see the lanterns float down the river for the New Moon. For most, Hoi An was a favourite but the 5 o'clock wake up call was certainly not. We were off to Ho Chi Minh City.

Ho Chi Minh is the largest city in Vietnam. We thought Hanoi was hard to cross the road, oooh boy this was another ball game. We saw the tunnels that the Viet Cong forces used and some of us had a shot on shooting an AK-47.

The homestay was next on the Mekong Delta where we row boated down deeper through the county side. That night we also learnt how to cook our own traditional Vietnamese meal. After this we saw the floating market at Cai Be and then saw the workshops of how rice paper, coconut candy and pop-rice is made.

On the way back to Ho Chi Minh our private coach suddenly turned into the biggest party bus in Vietnam. Our last night went down with a bang with the party bus going nuts. The crew rocked up in banana and watermelon costumes, and we had an amazing meal as we cruised around the harbour.

The flights back home to the warm land of New Zealand came along. The end of the trip came around just as fast as it started. Some of us didn't want to leave, most just wanted to go home to escape the heat and have familiar food, like pies and cheese rolls. Over the 16 days there was no drama between any of the students even though everyone was extremely tired and over the heat. Of course, no trip comes unscathed with a few dramas along the way: money lost, bank cards lost, passports almost lost but we all made it back in one piece.

I'd like to thank everyone who went on this trip for making it a trip of a lifetime and a big thank you to all the parents who paid for us to have an extraordinary experience.

Riley Gale 12WL



Vietnam 2019

TAIERI COLLEGE BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTIONS 2019

Nominations are invited for the election of six parent representatives to the board of truste

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the College office.

Nominations close at noon on 24 May 2019 and may be accompanied by a signed candidate's statement.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the College and can be viewed during normal College hours.

There will also be a list of candidate's names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the College.

Voting closes at noon on 7 June 2019.

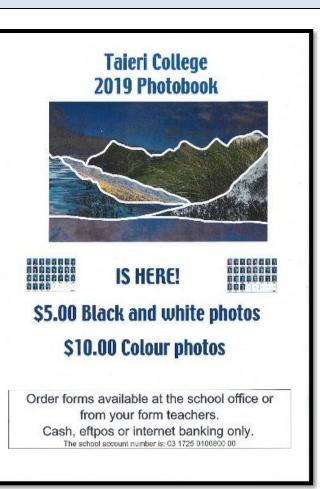
Signed D Seddon

Returning Officer

Lost Vest

A named vest is believed to have been left at school at the end of last term. It is clearly named and a size 8. All junior students please check that their vest is their own vest. If found, please return it to the Office or TK7. Much appreciated.

















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